

Reorganizational Meeting  
April 21, 2009

These are the minutes of the Reorganizational Meeting of the City of Adams, WI held on April 21, 2009 in the City Municipal Building.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Romell. On roll call were Alderpersons Jensen, LaQuee, Manthey, Robinson, Smith, Williams, Mayor Romell, Administrator Ellisor, Chief Hanson, and Street Superintendent Mead. Attorney Pollex was excused.

**Motion by Williams, second by Robinson to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2009 meeting as printed. Roll call vote, all voted aye.**

Petitions and Communications:

**Finance Committee:** The Committee met April 20, 2009.

In petitions and communications, discussion was held regarding all of the various grants and MSA quotes.

The City budget was reviewed and looks good.

Recommendations were made to pay the bills.

Recommendations were made to approve the quote of \$62,683.00 by EMC Corp. for the 2009/2010 Property Liability Insurance.

Report of Standing Committees:

**Public Safety Committee:** The Committee met April 16, 2009.

Discussion was held on a hazard mitigation plan.

Motions were made to approve the Police Report.

Motions were made to approve the Building Inspector's Report.

Discussion held regarding the Hiring Freeze Policy and COPS Grant Application.

**Public Works Committee:** The Committee met April 15, 2009.

In petitions and communications, Street Superintendent Mead presented two quotes in the amounts of \$2,540.00 and 3,188.00 for a Dissolved Oxygen Sensor for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The committee agreed on the one in the amount of 3,188.00. Vehicle bids were reviewed, high bids were: 1,700.00 for the Expedition, 607.00 for the Explorer, 350.00 for the Water Tanker. Survey stakes were questioned. Appreciation was given to Mayor Romell for his help on the committee over the years. West Liberty Street condition was discussed.

The backup generator should be received in May.

Recommendations were made to accept Patten Concrete's bid of \$4,400.00 for the Storage Shed floor. (A bid of \$4,368.00 was received from Dependable Concrete)

The DNR has approved the Test Well. Plans need to be submitted to RD by the end of the month.

The Little League has requested an additional field and batting cage. The committee suggested they submit a plan to Council.

**Adams County Fire District:** The District met April 9, 2009.

Motions were made to approve the Finance Report.

Chief's Report:

Mutual Aid to Lyndon Station, Mauston and Necedah.

Motions were made to sell set of torches (not needed).

Discussion was held regarding the need to upgrade medical supplies.

Repaired radio repeater, total cost \$2500.

Discussion was held regarding the stimulus program for the fire station.

Motions were made to allow Chief Rusch to pursue stimulus program.

Report of City Officers:

**Mayor Romell:** Stated that this is his final meeting. Mayor Romell gave an overview of all the City has accomplished over the past thirteen years while he was in the office as Alderperson and most of it in the past ten years as Mayor. Twelve major projects and 150 new jobs had been created as of 2006.

1999 – TIF #3 business park and Lincoln & North Streets

2000- Wastewater Treatment Plant and Oak & Park Streets

2001 - Stop Lights and two blocks of East North St.

2002 – 10” main from the well #4 to the new tower and Park & Brevoort Streets

2003 – Community Center

2004 – West North Street

2005 - Start of Rural Development project that was completed in 2006, worked on the Industrial Park and 24 Senior Apartments were built.

2008-22 more senior apartments added, and finished running water & sewer around the Industrial Park.

(This was paid for from TIF District funds) Mayor Romell stated we are in fine shape to move forward if any industry will come this way.

As far as the taxes go, there was an average increase of \$4,971.00 in the budget over the years of these projects. We were able to perform these from use of TIF District funds, CDBG Grants and RDA Grants. Right now we are working on three more and still moving forward. He is happy that things will progress.

He stated he has enjoyed working with the Council and thanked the Council, Administrator and Department Heads. He is sure the Council will do well and move forward. It was a pleasure working with everyone.

**Administrator Ellisor:** Reported the City currently has five different grant applications submitted. The applications consist of one for the COPS funding grant, one for the park and trails, and three for the well/business park. He also reported the Public Works union contract has concluded. He commended Mayor Romell for his years of service, and feels it was a job well done. He stated there were a lot of accomplishments to refer to over the years, and he appreciated being part of some the accomplishments. He has no doubt our new Mayor will continue to move us ahead.

**Chief Hanson:** Reported the department has been busy with juvenile matters. Some of the offenses include fires, weapons, obstructing, theft and shoplifting. The department will be represented by Officer Wormet who will be passing out Milwaukee Brewer Baseball Cards at the May 2 game. He hopes to have figures concerning the Municipal Court by the next Public Safety meeting. He thanked Mayor Romell and stated it was a pleasure working with him.

**Street Superintendent Mead:** Stated they have been working on Leaf and brush pickup and sewer jetting. There are still a lot of people placing the leaves out in the curb line, or by trees or mail boxes. People are not reading the newsletter and he hopes to look into something that will get their attention. Manthey stated on the positive side, she has received a lot of positive comments from citizens that are happy on how quick leaves are being picked up and they are happy with that. She stated she had experienced that herself with after raking over the weekend and they were picked up on Monday. Mead stated they are trying to stay on top of the leaves. He had been in contact with MSA regarding the test well, they hope to start the first week in May. The generator is scheduled for start up May 7. Then they will test all lift Stations. They will be flushing hydrants this Thursday. He thanked Mayor Romell for the years he has worked under his leadership.

**Old and Unfinished Business:**

**Motion by LaQuee, second by Smith to approve issuance of a Class A Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquors License (carry-out only) to Adams Deli & European Sausage Shop, Inc., Wendy Schwebel, agent, – D/B/A Adams Deli & European Sausage Shop, Inc. Roll call vote, all voted aye.**

**Motion by Williams, second by Jensen to approve issuance of an Operators License to Mary A. Browning, Julie L. Schultz, & Daniel Hernandez. Roll call vote, all voted aye.**

**Motion by LaQuee, second by Jensen to ratify the contract between the City of Adams and City of Adams Local 323 Wisconsin District Council 40 – AFSCME AFL-CIO. (Administrator Ellisor reviewed the contract changes) Roll call vote, all voted aye.**

**Motion by Manthey, second by Robinson to approve the bids of \$1,700 for the 2002 Ford Expedition to Nate Smith, \$607.00 for the 1997 Ford Explorer to Chicago Motors, and \$350.00 for the 1983 Chevrolet Brush Water Tanker to Chaz Meade. Roll call vote, all voted aye.**

**Motion by Williams, second by Jensen to approve the Service Agreement in the amount of \$18,000 with MSA Professional Services for preparing the WDNR submittal for the SDWLP funding assistance for Well and Well House #5 and related facilities with a completion date of April 30, 2009. Roll call vote, all voted aye.** (Mayor Romell stated the completion date is for the submittal of the paperwork.)

**Motion by Williams, second by Jensen to approve the Service Agreement in the amount of \$5,000 with MSA Professional Services for the Adams EDA South Business Park pre-application with a completion date of June 1, 2009. Roll call vote, all voted aye.**

**Motion by Williams, second by LaQuee to approve purchase of E&H Optical Dissolved Oxygen for the Wastewater Treatment Plant from B&M Technical Services in the amount of \$3,188.75. Roll call vote, all voted aye.**

**Motion by Smith, second by Robinson to approve purchase of concrete for concrete work at the Public Works storage shed to Patten’s Concrete in the amount of \$4,400. Roll call vote, all voted aye.**

**Motion by Jensen, second by Williams to approve payment of bills. Roll call vote, all voted aye.**

Alderman Williams stated that Mayor Romell will be a hard act to follow. Mayor Romell and Alderman Smith were thanked by all.

*New Business:*

The Past Council Members were retired and newly elected Mayor Williams and Council Members were seated after being given their oath of office. Alderpersons Manthey (District 2) and Jensen (District 3) were reelected. Mayor Williams and Alderperson Newberg (District 1) were newly elected.

Present were Alderperson Jensen, LaQuee, Manthey, Newberg, Robinson, Mayor Williams, Administrator Ellisor, Chief Hanson, and Street Superintendent Mead.

**Motion by LaQuee, second by Jensen approve the Mayoral Appointment of Len Suhr to Aldermanic District 3. Roll call vote, all voted aye.**

**Motion by Robinson, second by Suhr to nominate Warren LaQuee as Council President, Motion by Newberg, second by Jensen to nominate Holly Manthey as Council President.** It was decided to vote by closed ballot. The results were a tie, three votes for LaQuee, and three votes for Manthey. Mayor Williams voted for LaQuee.

Mayor Williams presented appointments as follows:

**2009-2010 Appointments of the Adams City Council**

(If Alderpersons will be absent, they shall request that a substitute Alderperson attend Committee Meetings in their place)

*(Chairperson - Listed first and highlighted)*

<b>Finance</b>	<b>M. Robinson</b>	W. LaQuee	L. Suhr
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<b>Personnel</b>	<b>H. Manthey</b>	M. Robinson	W. Jensen
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<b>Policy &amp; Procedure</b>	<b>A. Newberg</b>	M. Robinson	H. Manthey
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Public Works	W. LaQuee	W. Jensen	L. Suhr
	Citizens:	B. Wormet	M. Coon

Safety	W. Jensen	W. LaQuee	H. Manthey
	Citizens:	D. Davis	L. Scott

Economic Development	D. Williams	L. Suhr	M. Robinson
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Police Review Board	J. Paddock	R. J. Waite	J. O'Loughlin
	Alternates: C. Carpenter L. Tolley		

Fire District	W. Jensen
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Planning Commission	D. Williams	W. Jensen	R. White (3)	M. Janssen (2)
		D. Ranta (1)	L. Scott (3)	H. Davis (1)
		Legal Advisor-Attorney Pollex, Alternates: Council Members		

Zoning Appeals	W. LaQuee	W. Jensen	H. Manthey	R. Goodhue	A. Newberg
	Alternates: M. Coon, C. Carpenter				

Board of Review	D. Williams	J. Winters	W. Jensen	H. Manthey	L. Suhr
	Alternates: Remaining Council Members				

Development Authority	D. Williams	W. LaQuee	M. Robinson	R. Goodhue (3)
		M. Janssen (1)	L. Suhr (term of office)	A. Newberg (term of office)

City Attorney	E. Pollex	Zoning Adm/Bldg Inspector	R. White
Clk/Treas	J. Gostomski	Weed Commissioner	J. Moore
Confidential Asst.	County Health Nurse	City Forester	T. McConnell
Health Officer	Adams Co. Times Reporter		
Official Newspaper	Grand Marsh State Bank, M&I Marshall Ilsley, Nekoosa-Port Edwards State Bank, Royal Bank		
Official Depositories			

**Motion by Jensen, second by LaQuee to approve the appointments as presented. Roll call vote, all voted aye.**

Election of Council Member for City Planning Commission was held.

**Motion by Manthey, second by Newberg to nominate Wilbur Jensen to the City Planning Commission. There were no other nominations. Motion by Manthey, second by Newberg to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Wilbur Jensen as the Council's Planning Commission Member. Roll call vote: Manthey, Newberg, Robinson, Suhr-aye, Jensen-abstained.**

Mayor Williams waived the initial reading of the Public Depository Resolutions to allow action this evening.

**Motion by Manthey, second by Robinson to adopt Resolutions 2009-05R, 2009-06R, 2009-7R and 2009-08R (see appendix B of Minutes Book) Authorizing Grand Marsh State Bank, Royal Bank, Nekoosa Port Edwards Bank and M&I Marshall & Ilsley Bank as a Public Depository Banks for the City of Adams. Roll call vote, all voted aye.**

**Motion by Jensen, second by Newberg to adjourn. Roll call vote, all voted aye.**

Janet Winters  
Clerk/Treasurer